

COST PROPOSAL

for a

HIGH SPEED PRECISION COORDINATOGRAPH

From STATOTHR

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Price STATOTHR	
proposes to supply a High Speed Precision Coordinatograph	
as described in our technical proposal of 27 November 1962, amended 24 January	
1963, on a cost-plus-fixed-fee basis. The estimated cost of is detailed	STAT
below; the proposed fixed fee is	31711
Labor	
Engineering Staff	STAT
Drafting	
Production	
	STAT
Material	
Other Direct Costs	
Burden (at estimated rate ofof labor)	STAT
Total Direct Costs and Burden	
G&A (at estimated rate of 10% of total direct costs and burden	
Total Estimated Cost	
Fixed Fee	

Our recent discussions with technical representatives of the Government have indicated that a considerable degree of flexibility is desirable in this program. The particular technical areas where this flexibility is most obviously required are in the design of the servomechanisms, in the design of the computer-plotter data link, and in the selection of plotter accessories.

The servomechanism design is most critical to the project in two senses: servo performance will primarily determine the exact combination of accuracy and speed that will be obtained, and as it is the major area of new design it will have the most important effect on total cost. Therefore, this is an area in which the Government should exercise in the closest liaison and have primary control in developing specifications which will result in the optimum cost-performance trade off.

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In the design of the computer-plotter data link further study is essential in defining
the optimum coding of the control data to minimize programming costs, computer time
and plotter hardware. Such study can be carried out much more effectively in the
early contract stages than during the pre-contract negotiations.
While the present list of plotter accessories (two pens, automatic paper drive, etc.)
appears adequate, it is not unlikely that further consideration of the Government's
needs will uncover other requirements. Meeting such additional requirements is much
easier under a cost-type contract. STATOTHR
Prices are F.O.B. , and will be held valid until 1 April 1963.
Delivery
Delivery can be made within 10 months from receipt of order.
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